

### **Amendments to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

#### **Listing of Claims:**

1-9 (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A method of treating persistent allergic rhinitis comprising administering an effective amount of Levocetirizine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof to a patient in need of such treatment, where the Levocetirizine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof is administered in a daily dosage of from about 0.0005 mg to about 2 mg per kg of patient body weight ~~per patient~~for a period equal to more than 3 months.

11-21. (Canceled)

22. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 10 where the Levocetirizine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof is administered in a daily dosage of from about 0.005 mg to about 1 mg per kg of body weight per patient.

23. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 10 where the Levocetirizine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof is administered in a daily dosage of about 0.5 mg per kg of body weight per patient.

24. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 10 where the Levocetirizine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof is administered via spray inhalation, aerosol, or topically.

25. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 10 where the Levocetirizine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof is administered orally.

26. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 10 where the daily dosage of Levocetirizine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof is split among 2-5 dosages administered per day.

27. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 10 where the daily dosage of Levocetirizine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof is split between 2 dosages administered per day.

28. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 10, wherein the daily dosage is administered in a single dose.

29. (Canceled)